Wild Wizerd



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Requirements: Con 9, Int 9 Prime Requisite: INT Hit Dice: 1d4 Maximum Level: 20<sup>th</sup>

Magic is not an exact science and even the most detailed incantation or formula can result in terrible destruction if the spellcaster's proper words and gestures are not executed with exacting detail. Still, occasionally a magic-user decides to specialize in the study of this arcane chaos and even bend it to their will. Known as Wild Wizards, these rare wizards are often regarded as mad. The study of what is known as "magical flux" often leads to their own demise, but those rare few who are able to harness the chaotic energies hidden behind these arcane spells are among the most powerful and feared spellcasters in the world.

Wild wizards may only wield daggers, darts and staffs in battle and do not wear armor or use shields. This cumbersome protection hinders their ability to wield magic. They use the Saving Throws and Attack Values of a magic-user. They may be of any alignment in spite of the common belief that all wild wizards are chaotic in alignment.

These chaotic arcanists cast and memorize their spells just like a magic-user and draw from the same list of spells. They may use Magic-User/Elf scrolls and other items normally limited to those classes. In addition, by having a deeper understanding of the inherent chaos of magic, a wild wizard is able to sometimes exercise control over otherwise unpredictable magic items. Whenever a wild wizard is using a magical item that produces a random effect (such as a *Bag of* Tricks or Rod of Wonder as depicted in the Advanced Edition Companion) there is a 5% per level that the wild wizard will be able to pick the exact achieve the exact desired effect from the item and not be left to the random whim of the otherwise unpredictable item.

Wild wizards with an INT of 13 or higher receive a +5% bonus on all experience points earned. Those with a 16 or higher receive +10%.

**Reaching 9<sup>th</sup> Level:** When a wild wizard reaches the 9th level, he is able to create spells and magic items. These rules are in the Magic Research portion of Section 8 of the Labyrinth Lord Core Rules and he may be known as a *Wild Arcanist*. A wild wizard will often build a great tower or stronghold at this time and is encouraged to do so well away from any civilized lands where his magical experimentation might result in collateral damage. When he reaches level 11. He will then attract magic-user or wild wizard apprentices (1d6), who will range from level 1-3.

Wild Wizard Level Progression				
Experience	Level	Hit Dice (1d4)		
0	1	1		
2,501	2	2		
5,001	3	3		
10,001	4	4		
20,001	5	5		
40,001	6	6		
80,001	7	7		
160,001	8	8		
310,001	9	9		

460,001	10	+1 hp only*
610,001	11	+2 hp only*
760,001	12	+3 hp only*
910,001	13	+4 hp only*
1,060,001	14	+5 hp only*
1,210,001	15	+6 hp only*
1,360,001	16	+7 hp only*
1,510,001	17	+8 hp only*
1,660,001	18	+9 hp only*
1,810,001	19	+10 hp only*
1,960,001	20	+11 hp only*

\*Hit point modifiers from constitution are ignored

## Wild Wizard Spell Progression

Class 1 <sup>st</sup> Level 2 <sup>nd</sup> Level 3 <sup>rd</sup> Level 4 <sup>th</sup> Level 5 <sup>th</sup> Level 6 <sup>th</sup> Level 7 <sup>th</sup> Level 8 <sup>th</sup> Level 9 <sup>th</sup> Level									
Class									9 <sup>th</sup> Level
Level	Spell								
1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	2	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	3	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
8	3	3	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
9	3	3	3	2	1	-	-	-	-
10	3	3	3	3	2	-	-	-	-
11	4	3	3	3	2	1	-	-	-
12	4	4	3	3	3	2	-	-	-
13	4	4	4	3	3	2	1	-	-
14	4	4	4	4	3	3	2	-	-
15	5	4	4	4	4	3	2	1	-
16	5	5	4	4	4	4	3	2	-
17	5	5	5	4	4	4	4	3	1
18	5	5	5	5	4	4	4	4	2
19	6	5	5	5	5	4	4	4	3
20	6	6	5	5	5	5	4	4	4

**Magical Flux:** Whenever a Wild Wizard casts a spell there is a chance that the magical energy flowing through him may react in an unexpected fashion. This sudden flux in energy can result in a spell becoming far more powerful than the caster predicted, far less powerful, or for the magic to manifest itself in a completely unique way unrelated to the intended incantation.

However, wild wizards are not totally at the mercy of chaos. Each day when a wild wizard memorizes their daily allotment of spells they may choose to expend a spell slot one level higher than the spell memorized. If they do so, then there is no chance of a magical flux occurring and the spell functions normally. So, for example a 3<sup>rd</sup> level wild wizard could choose to memorize *Magic Missile* in their  $2^{nd}$  level spell slot (instead of the normal first level slot, as *Magic Missile* is a  $1^{st}$  level spell) to guarantee that the spell would function exactly as specified in the *Labyrinth Lord Core Rules*.

If a wild wizard chooses to memorize a spell in its intended spell slot, they run the risk of invoking a magical flux when they cast the spell. There is a 10% chance that spells memorized in this fashion will result in a magical flux. If a flux does occur, the Labyrinth Lord should roll on the chart below to determine nature of the magical flux.



d20 Result	Magical Flux Effect					
1	The spell fizzles out and has no effect, the spell is expended					
2	The spell fizzles out and has no effect, but it is not expended.					
3	The caster now becomes the target of the spell. If he was already the target, there is no other effect.					
4	The spell is wiped from the caster's mind and transferred to that of the nearest intelligent creature. The intelligent creature retains knowledge of that spell and may cast it as a Magic-User of a equal level to the character. Once the spell is cast, it is wiped from the mind of that person. Until the spell is cast, the Wild Wizard cannot memorize new spells in that spell slot.					
5	The spell functions normally, however the caster now is only able to speak in the language of magic. For the next hour, whenever they speak it sounds like gibberish and there is a 5% chance that they will accidentally cast a random spell they currently have memorized when attempting to speak					
6	The spell does not function and the spell slot is expended. Instead, for the next hour, the caster is now under an enchantment as if they had the constant benefit of a <i>Detect Magic</i> spell active on everything they see. This magical aura is wavering and bright, making it difficult to focus. The caster is unable to concentrate or defend themselves properly while in this state and suffers a -2 penalty to their Armor Class while this flux is in effect.					
7	A magical backlash occurs. The caster suffers a number of points of damage equal to the level of the spell cast. So, for example, a 1 <sup>st</sup> level spell inflicts one point of damage on the caster.					
8	A magical backlash occurs. The caster suffers a number of points of damage equal to the level of the spell cast. So for example a 2 <sup>nd</sup> level spell inflicts two points of damage on the caster. The spell slot is not expended.					
9	Instead of casting the intended spell, the Wild Wizard casts a random spell of equal level, as determined by the Labyrinth Lord.					
10	The spell functions normally.					
11	The spell functions normally, but the spell slot is not expended.					
12	Instead of casting the intended spell, the Wild Wizard casts a random spell level one level higher than the level of the intended spell. The spell cast is determined randomly by the Labyrinth Lord.					
13	The spell functions as expected. However, for the next twenty four hours, whenever the caster speaks a blast of fire shoots from his mouth doing 1d6 points of damage any target standing within ten feet directly in front of the Wild Wizard.					
14	The spell is cast with remarkable speed. The caster may take a second action in the round, whether it is to move, attack or cast a second spell.					
15	The caster accidentally summons a random monster determined by the Labyrinth Lord. The caster has no control over the monster's actions.					
16	Instead of casting the intended spell, the Wild Wizard casts a random spell level two levels higher than the level of the intended spell. The spell cast is determined randomly by the Labyrinth Lord.					
17	The spell functions as intended, except that if the target is normally entitled to a saving throw to resist or reduce the effects, they do not receive it.					
18	The spell functions as intended, except that if the target is normally entitled to a saving throw to resist or reduce the effects, they do not receive it. The spell slot is not expended.					
19	The spell functions at maximum effect. All damage dice are automatically considered to be the highest number possible. In addition, if the target is normally entitled to a saving throw or some form of magic resistance, they do not get to roll.					
20	The spell functions at maximum effect. All damage dice are automatically considered to be the highest number possible. In addition, if the target is normally entitled to a saving throw or some form of magic resistance, they do not get to roll. The spell slot is not expended.					

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